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## For Immediate Release...

## Corrections News

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## Gutting Chosen as Department March Employee of the Month

Lauren Gutting has been selected as the Missouri Department of Corrections Employee of the Month for March 2008. Gutting is employed as a Probation and Parole (P&P) Officer II at District EC in St. Louis City. Gutting supervises a targeted group of offenders in the District's Community Partnership for Restoration Program (CPR).

"You incorporated a 'Client of the Week' award, which entailed creating a procedure to identify clients who are excelling with regards to supervision plans," Corrections Department Director Larry Crawford wrote in a letter to Gutting. "This innovative idea has motivated client behavior and success."

Gutting recently volunteered to supervise the Gang CPR caseload, and attends monthly task force meetings where the progress of her clients is discussed with outside agencies. Crawford also credits Gutting for volunteering for extra duties. She has served as District EC's Substance Abuse Liaison, Urinalysis Coordinator, Wellness Liaison, Volunteer and Intern Coordinator, Victim Impact Coordinator and on the Trivia Planning committee. Gutting has also participated in the Toys 4 Tots Toy Drive.

Gutting has been employed with the Department of Corrections for three-and-a-half years and lives in St. Louis.

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